IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS MARSHALL DIVISION

HEADWATER PARTNERS II LLC,

Plaintiff and Counterclaim-Defendant,

v.

T-MOBILE USA, INC. AND SPRINT LLC,

Defendants and Counterclaimant-Plaintiffs.

HEADWATER PARTNERS II LLC,

Plaintiff and Counterclaim-Defendant,

v.

AT&T SERVICES, INC., AT&T MOBILITY, LLC AND AT&T CORP.,

Defendants and Counterclaimant-Plaintiffs.

Case No. 2:24-cv-00015-JRG-RSP

(LEAD CASE)

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Case No. 2:24-cv-00016-JRG-RSP

(MEMBER CASE)

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HEADWATER'S ANSWER TO AT&T'S COUNTERCLAIMS

Plaintiff and Counterclaim-Defendant Headwater Partners II LLC ("Headwater") hereby answers Defendants and Counterclaimant-Plaintiffs' AT&T Services, Inc., AT&T Mobility, LLC, and AT&T Corp. (collectively, "AT&T" or "Defendants and Counterclaim-Plaintiffs"), counterclaims as follows:

NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. Headwater admits that it has sued AT&T for infringement of the '868 Patent, and '502 Patent and that there is a substantial, actual, and continuing controversy between Headwater and AT&T as to the infringement of the asserted patents. Headwater denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 1.

THE PARTIES

- 2. Admitted.
- 3. Admitted.
- 4. Admitted.
- 5. Admitted that Headwater Partners II LLC is a Texas limited liability company with its headquarters at 110 North College Avenue, Suite 1116, Tyler, Texas 75702.

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- 6. Admitted.
- 7. Admitted.
- 8. Admitted.
- 9. Admitted.
- 10. Headwater admits that it has sued AT&T for infringement of the '868 Patent, and '502 Patent and that there is a substantial, actual, and continuing controversy between Headwater and AT&T as to the infringement of the asserted patents. Headwater denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 10.

FIRST COUNTERCLAIM – NON-INFRINGEMENT

- 11. Headwater incorporates the preceding paragraphs by reference, as though fully set forth herein.
 - 12. Admitted.
 - 13. Admitted.
 - 14. Admitted.
 - 15. Denied.

SECOND COUNTERCLAIM – INVALIDITY

16. Headwater incorporates the preceding paragraphs by reference, as though fully set

forth herein.

- 17. Admitted.
- 18. Denied.
- 19. Denied.
- 20. Denied.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

In response to AT&T's prayer for relief, Headwater denies that AT&T is entitled to any relief, including any of the relief requested in paragraphs 1–5 of AT&T's prayer for relief. Further, Headwater requests the following relief:

WHEREFORE, Headwater respectfully requests that this Court enter:

- a. A judgment in favor of Headwater that AT&T has infringed, either directly or indirectly, literally, under the doctrine of equivalents, or otherwise, the '868 Patent and the '502 Patent;
- b. A permanent injunction prohibiting AT&T from further acts of infringement of the '868 Patent and the '502 Patent;
- c. A judgment and order requiring AT&T to pay Headwater its damages, enhanced damages, costs, expenses, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest for AT&T's infringement of the '868 Patent and the '502 Patent;
- d. A judgment and order requiring AT&T to provide accountings and to pay supplemental damages to Headwater, including without limitation, pre-judgment and post-judgment interest;
- e. A judgment and order finding that this is an exceptional case within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 285 and awarding to Headwater its reasonable attorneys' fees against AT&T; and

f. Any and all other relief as the Court may deem appropriate and just under the circumstances.

JURY DEMAND

Headwater, under Rule 38 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, requests a trial by jury of any issues so triable by right.

Dated: April 15, 2024 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that all counsel of record who are deemed to have consented to electronic service are being served this 15th day of April 2024 with a copy of this document via the Court's CM/ECF system per Local Rule CV-5(a)(3).

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